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FOR: ANTIBODIES SPECIFICALLY RECOGNIZING A  
NITROSYLATED PROTEIN, THEIR METHOD OF  
PREPARATION, THERAPEUTIC USE AND DIAGNOSIS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly <sup>✓</sup>delete claim 6.

Kindly amend claims 3-5 and 9-14:

3. (Amended) The antibody in [Claims 1 or 2] Claim 1, recognizing specifically a nitrosylated albumin.
4. (Amended) The antibody in [any one of Claims 1 to 3] Claim 1, characterized by the fact that it is a polyclonal antibody.
5. (Amended) The antibody in [any one of Claims 1 to 3] Claim 1, characterized by the fact that it is a monoclonal antibody.